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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer's over and now, it's back to work!



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CSPD President

For most pediatric dentists, fall is a welcomed time because the summer rush is over and we can slow down. For many others however, patient care may have slowed down but the hectic schedules of fundraisers, dental society meetings and other organizational activities have

just resumed. We have many members who have leadership positions in social, youth sports, service and religious organizations as well as our professional organizations. This is work just as well.

Many of our CSPD members are involved in some leadership capacity with the California Dental Association (CDA). These dedicated individuals do much needed volunteer work for both the state dental association as well as our organization. This dual responsibility actually benefits both dental organizations in many ways. While serving CDA in a committee or council, the benefits to CSPD may be realized with improved communication with the mothership. Members can directly or indirectly represent CSPD at the state level. CDA is aware that our specialty organization is actively involved in organized dentistry and they welcome it. Our members may serve on a council that may help advance our initiatives thereby leveraging our influence. We need CDA; CDA needs us. I feel this collaboration has been mutually beneficial. Let's take an example: as a mega-issue, a CSPD goal is to have an in-office general anesthesia (I.V. sedation) as a covered benefit by insurance companies. How likely is it that our organization, which represents approximately 650 pediatric dentists in California, would be able to get this major initiative accomplished alone? It would be very difficult and cost-prohibitive.

It may not have support from a good number of general dentists. Conversely, when CSPD has an initiative that is "the right thing to do", and is well planned and presented we are able to work within the structure of an organization that has at its disposal many resources: human, financial and political. It stands to reason that our specialty would want to make its case to our mothership, who will then help us take the initiatives to a new level, all in a collaborative manner.

CSPD now enjoys the role of the respected voice of oral health issues for children. There are many instances when CDA looks to CSPD for a position on a particular initiative or to get our point of view on something that may affect our specialty or membership. This collegial relationship did not happen overnight nor will it continue if we don't make the effort to answer the call and to be at the table of decision and policymaking.

What does it take to be at the table? You may be aware that one can now self-nominate to be considered for a council at CDA. As a volunteer for a committee or council, one can have direct communication from CDA to CSPD in many ways. In certain instances, as a council member you may be in a position to discuss our goals and current initiatives. That direct communication and exchange of information is not only good for both organizations, it's invaluable.

Some may say that making a pitch to our membership to volunteer for our state dental organization competes with CSPD for capable and available leadership. I disagree. As long as a person has the inclination and time to serve in either or both organizations I feel it's a bonus to CSPD.

We presently have very dedicated pediatric dentists who are in

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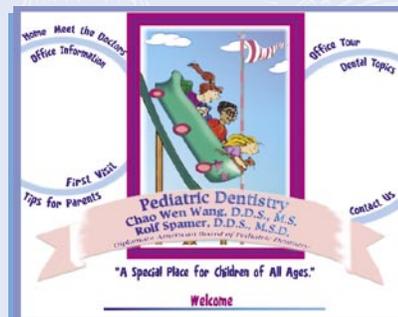
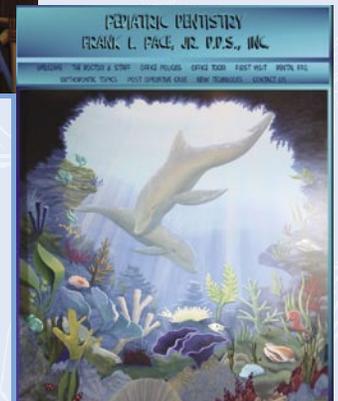
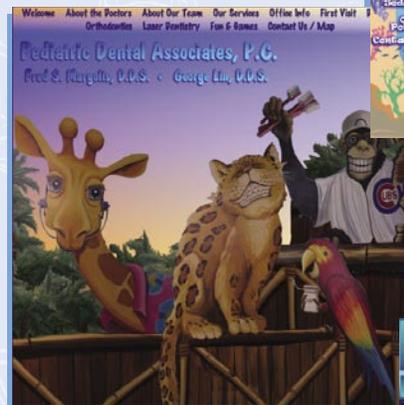
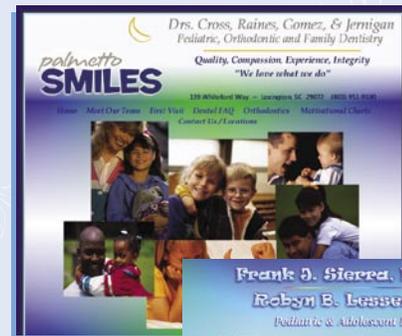
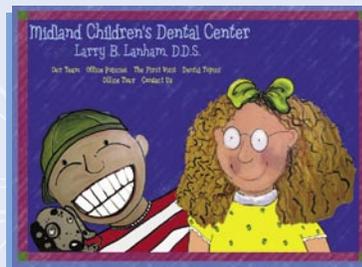
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31st Annual Meeting

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which will be held in beautiful, balmy Indian Wells, California
at the Renaissance Esmeralda Hotel and Spa,
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Changes in Parenting Over Time Have Lead to Differences in The Children We Treat in Our Practices

Friday Presentation: **Dr. Foster Cline** will discuss the phenomenon from a psychiatrist's perspective. Are these just anecdotal impressions or is it a reality?

Saturday Presentation: **Dr. Barbara Sheller** will tell us how we can manage these children and their parents in our practices.

Sunday Presentation: **Panel Discussion**. Our members will discuss their perceptions and how or if their management strategies have changed over time.

There will also be a Spouse Program (to be announced), a New Dentist Program and Table Clinics. In addition, the **CSPD Foundation** will again sponsor a Thursday afternoon program (see announcement below) and **WSPD** will again sponsor a **PALS course**.

Tentative social activities will include: A Thursday evening Welcome Reception that will allow our members to socialize at a down home country barbecue. Our Installation Luncheon is scheduled for Friday where we will hear the AAPD President-Elect's presentation. What would a trip to Indian Wells be without a Saturday afternoon golf outing?! And the Saturday evening gala (to be announced) will be as spectacular as ever!

This meeting promises to combine the hospitality of a world-class resort with an interesting and informative scientific program as well as enjoyable social events. We hope that you will join us for what promises to be a memorable meeting.



ROBIN WRIGHT to be the Featured Speaker
CSPD Foundation Program
April 6, 2006

"Powerful Communication for the Pediatric Dental Educator and Clinician"

To be an excellent teacher in pediatric dentistry, you need powerful communication skills. This workshop will focus on how pediatric dental faculty members can enhance their abilities to give great lectures, present compelling continuing education seminars and serve as inspirational mentors. There will also be an emphasis on how mature clinicians can use these same skills to educate and support practice associates and less experienced colleagues. This new program will prepare both academicians and clinicians by enhancing their patient care delivery skills.

With an international reputation as a dental communication specialist, Robin Wright has a

proven track record with 400 audiences since 1985 and is a featured speaker in the ADA Seminar Series. She has consulted with such clients as IBM, Xerox and Century 21 and has spoken at the Yankee, the Thomas P. Hinman and ADA annual meetings. She serves as the facilitator for the AAPD Media Spokesperson Training Course. Her combination of humor, enthusiasm and expertise make her a powerful speaker. Ms. Wright is the author of 50 dental publications including the 1997 book, Tough Questions, Great Answers. She is president of Wright Communications and is currently pursuing her doctorate in healthcare communication at Northwestern University.

Peer Review

By Bernard Gross, DDS

The Peer Review System is one of the premium benefits for the members of the California Dental Association. CDA developed the Peer Review System to be used in lieu of litigation in order to ensure the highest quality of dentistry for the patient. It is provided as a public service at no cost to the patient or the dentist. The treating dentist has an opportunity to have his/her treatment in question evaluated by his/her "peers", while the patient has the opportunity to have his/her complaint adjudicated for free. This means that other pediatric dentists, not general dentists, review a pediatric dentist.

The purpose of the Peer Review System is to resolve disputes that may arise in the delivery of dental services to the public; in particular, disputes regarding the quality and/or appropriateness of dental treatment, utilization (problems related to dental insurance benefits when treatment is questioned), and/or potentially irregular billing practices. Any of these entities may request that peer review be initiated.

How does the Peer Review System work? peer review begins when the patient, doctor, or insurance company calls the local dental society with a complaint or dispute regarding the treatment provided or proposed by the dentist. If the complaint involves a pediatric dentist and member of ADA then the local component will get in touch with the chair of the CSPD peer review committee. The patient is required to complete some forms, including a description of his/her complaint. The treating dentist is given an opportunity to respond to the patient's complaint and is given the option of meeting with the committee to present his/her "side of the story" prior to the committee taking any action to resolve the dispute.

After the committee has examined the patient, had an opportunity to interview the treating dentist, and has evaluated all the records from the subsequent treating dentist(s) and any insurance carrier, a determination of appropriateness of care is reached. Both parties have an opportunity to appeal the committee's decision to the CDA Appeals Panel. The appeals process is another step to ensure a fair and objective process.

Most peer review cases involve general dentists, with crowns, prosthodontics and orthodontics. In the last two years, the California Dental Association's peer review cases have found 52% of cases in favor of the dentist, and 48% of cases in favor of the patient. Of all of these, only two cases have gone to

litigation. In each of those cases, when the dentist involved brought his resolution letter from the peer review committee, the case was dismissed. This indicates that the Peer Review System works.

How do you avoid problems?

1. **Communicate** with your patients. Many cases result from a patient feeling that you are not listening to them about their problem. If they are convinced that you are trying your best to solve the problem, then they are likely to stay with you. ALL of us have less than ideal results at times, but if the patient thinks that you are trying to listen to them and solve the problem, they will be less likely to consider peer review or litigation.

2. **Discuss** treatment plan options and alternatives. Explain all the risks and benefits of the alternatives. Be an educator; help them to understand your goals and visions for their children. If they choose a less-than-ideal treatment plan, they need to be aware of the possible disadvantages.

3. **Document** everything.

a) For every treatment plan, you should have a written diagnosis of the problems. You also need a written treatment plan, and to share this with the patient.

b) Write down possible complications, and that you discussed them with the patient.

c) Anything you see as a possible problem should be recorded.

d) You are in good shape if you use the S.O.A.P. system: **S**ubjective evaluation (clinical signs), **O**bjective evaluation (symptoms and patient's complaint), **A**ssessment of the problem, and **P**lan of action.

e) If you didn't write it down--- you didn't do it! This is how it will look if you run into problems.

f) It is troublesome and time-consuming to write things down, but it is your best and maybe only defense.

g) There is nothing wrong with abbreviations to help you with your charting. There are many standard abbreviations, and you can customize your own if you are consistent (it may be a good idea to keep a glossary of your own abbreviations).

4. If someone comes to you with a problem from **another dentist's work**, try to get him to work it out with the dentist involved. Call or write the previous dentist if you think it will help. Be very careful not to criticize another dentist's work. This easily leads to trouble.

5. If you do the work that is commonly

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*Bernard Gross, DDS
Peer Review Chairman*

A HEROIC JOURNEY

By: Nhu Tran, DDS



Nhu Tran, DDS

What does a seagull and a mobile dental van have in common?

Read this article to find out.



On Thursday, September 23rd, three brave volunteers left behind a typically beautiful Fall afternoon in Southern California, en route for unpredictable conditions in Monroe, Louisiana. Equipped with a sleeping bag, air mattress, 2 ice chests full of food, and a coffee maker, Dr. Lynn Fasnacht, Dr. John Blake, and, Miguel Peraza packed into the Long Beach Children's Dental Health Clinic's RV and hit the road to avoid the rush hour traffic. Despite careful planning, none of them could have prepared for what was to hit them on the road ahead.

Almost 3 weeks earlier on August 29th, the eye of Hurricane Katrina collided into New Orleans as a Category 4 storm. The storm surge quickly breached the levee system that protected New Orleans from Lake Pontchartrain, causing most of the city to be subsequently flooded by the lake's waters. This and other major damage to the coastal regions of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama made Katrina the most destructive and costliest natural disaster in the history of the United States. The official death toll now stands at 1,163 and the damage higher than \$200 billion, topping Hurricane Andrew as the most expensive natural disaster in U.S. history.

Katrina left most of New Orleans, including Louisiana State University School of Dentistry under water. Learning of the dental school's devastation, CDHC contacted the ADA to loan its Mobile Clinic (RV) to LSU Dental School. The 32-foot long state of the art dental van with two dental chairs has been used to provide dental treatment to underprivileged children in Long Beach since November 2003. The plan was for it to now be utilized by dental students to provide dental treatment for people in need in Louisiana.

The three men were planning on making the 1723-mile journey in the predicted 26-½ hours, by driving in shifts. Things were going fairly smoothly and they were actually making good time. Around 6 AM Friday morning, Dr. Fasnacht was getting

some rest in the back, Miguel was behind the wheel, and Dr. Blake was just waking up in the passenger's seat. Dr. Blake decided to take pictures of the sunrise and the gorgeous views as they drove just outside west of El Paso. Not five minutes after putting away his camera, Dr.

Blake and Miguel noticed a lone white bird flying directly toward the van. Unable to react and avoid the impending impact, the seagull slammed directly into the driver's side windshield. Still in disbelief, they pulled over to evaluate the damage; the accident had left a 3-foot diameter crack in the driver's side windshield. Being the resourceful dentists that they were, the men taped up the crack lines with duct tape and continued to push on. With Rita looming east of them, they were hoping to have the windshield replaced. However, due to the size of the van, it was impossible to find a service station with the specific size glass available. The men continued on their journey, but as they drove, pieces of glass began chipping away, and the cracks began to spread outward. They had no choice but to stop for re-taping along the way, this time with clear barrier dental tape, so they could still see through the window. Outside of Dallas, the windshield began to bow dangerously inward, forcing them to use safety goggles during the night, and sunglasses during the day.

Fortunately, nearing Louisiana on Friday night, Hurricane Rita had just landed and had not caused too much damage or rain inland. In the last hour, just outside of Monroe, Louisiana, it did, however, begin to rain. The men were without the use of their windshield wipers, for fear of completely breaking the windshield. Despite all the tape over the cracked windshield and the rain further inhibiting their view, they were able to reach the Red Cross station safely at 1 AM Saturday morning. After only getting a few hours of shut-eye, they awoke to meet the doctors from LSU Dental School at 6 AM, who arrived to receive the dental van. Needless to say,

(Pictured L to R) Miguel Peraza, Dr. Lester Tarver; Dr. John Blake, Dr. Lynn Fasnacht and Dr. Kimberly Caldwell



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DISTRICT VI NEWS

CSPD REPORT



HURRICANE KATRINA

The summer has come and gone and it seems that the ending of the season has brought us to a tumultuous time with many challenges that are far beyond what our imaginations could conjure. Hurricanes, hardships, untoward clinical outcomes and the crisis management skills required to meet these challenges have all taxed us to our outer limits. Our CSPD and AAPD leaders have stepped up to the plate and addressed the pertinent issues with competency and sincerity. Hurricane Katrina has brought out the best in all of us and an array of actions have been taken to assist those in need, including members, their families and the children within their care. We should be very proud of those in District VI, and on the National scene, who have acted quickly and decisively to offer assistance.

Interestingly, when Katrina hit, most of the AAPD leadership was on an educational cruise to Alaska. They were terribly handicapped in their initial efforts to gain information. However, they immediately set actions into place to help get relief to our members. They established a relief fund through our AAPD Foundation and opened up all of the resources our Staff office as a conduit for those afflicted to communicate with those who could assist. Many thanks go for the tireless efforts of President Pitts Hinson, Phil Hunke, Beverly Largent, Ray Stewart, Bill Berlocher, Joel Berg and past Presidents Paul Kennedy and David Curtis. This brain trust of AAPD worked with John Rutkauskus, and the entire AAPD Staff in Chicago, in trying to assess the crisis, formulate a plan and manage its activation while far away on Alaskan seas; it was incredible to say the least.

The following steps have been taken by our AAPD leadership in reaction to the devastation created by Katrina:

***The Comprehensive Review Course** was relocated from New Orleans to Chicago (Sept 9-11, 2005).

***The Louisiana State University Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program** was severely impacted by hurricane Katrina. The LSU pediatric dental residency program is closed. The residents, 4 first-year and 4 second year residents, have been assimilated into programs around the Country. Graciously,

program directors and universities have opened their doors to help their future pediatric dental colleagues. LSU residents have been either relocated or have been provided facilities in Baton Rouge. The four first-year residents have been relocated to the programs at Baylor University, University of Tennessee and Harvard University. One second-year resident has relocated to the University of Texas-Houston, and the remaining three second-year residents have been placed in a clinic in Baton Rouge giving services to underserved and underprivileged children.

Thanks to the generosity of its donors, the AAPD Foundation is able to offer Disaster Relief Grants to AAPD members. Several LSU residents have incurred relocation expenses as a result of flooded and destroyed homes. Funds will be made available to assist in whatever manner necessary.

***AAPD Foundation Hurricane Relief Effort:** The AAPD Foundation has announced a special fundraising drive to help those in need. Please visit http://www.aapd.org/hottopics/news.asp?NEWS_ID=471 for information on how you can contribute to this disaster relief effort. Please remember that even though the waters have subsided and the winds have calmed, the need for assistance has not abated, it lingers with a continued yearning for your kindness. As of this writing, the AAPD Foundation's Hurricane **Katrina Relief Fund** has collected:

\$16,400 to assist children in the stricken areas
\$15,000 to assist AAPD members and the specialty
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(Revision as of 10/1/05---**Total donations: \$86,000+**)

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CSPD requests that all members who have helped provide dental care to the children of this disaster or want to provide emergency care to these displaced children now living in California Contact Us with this information.

Dental Board Adopts New Continuing Education Requirements

By: Paul Reggiardo, DDS



Paul Reggiardo, DDS

Effective January 1, 2006, California dentists will be subject to new continuing education requirements governing the biannual renewal of their dental licenses. Chief among the changes is establishment of two categories of continuing education credit. The first grouping, Category One, will include all courses mandated by the Dental Board (which currently include Infection Control, the Dental Practice Act and CPR). It will also include the State of California (Cal-DOSH/OSHA), or the Federal Government (HIPPA). Other Category One subjects are those directly related to the actual delivery of dental services to the patient or community, such as courses in diagnosis and treatment planning, preventive services, corrective and restorative procedures, nutrition counseling, dentistry's role in community oral health issues, instrument sterilization systems and auxiliary utilization requirements. Category Two subjects must still be directly related to the practice of dentistry, but may include areas not directly related to patient care, such as the evaluation and improvement of recall and scheduling systems, organization and management of the dental office, delivery systems, record keeping, malpractice prevention, risk management, employment law, and socio-political issues facing dentistry.

Beginning January 1, 2008, dentists will

be required to show that at least 80% of the required 50 minimum hours for license renewal occurred in Class One subjects. Dental Auxiliaries must also complete 80% of their required units in Category One courses. Course providers will be responsible for evaluating and determining whether a course meets either Category One or Category Two requirements, and will be required to furnish the participant with a CE verification slip that includes an 11-digit course identification number.

In a related regulatory change, effective January 1, the Board-mandated course in California Law will be replaced by a Board-mandated course covering the California Dental Practice Act. All licensees must complete 2 units of continuing education in this subject area every two years. Course content will include the "utilization and scope of practice for auxiliaries, scope of practice for dentists, laws governing the prescription of drugs, citations, fines, revocation and suspension of licensure, and license renewal." Subjects such as HIPPA rules and California malpractice law will no longer qualify as appropriate course material.

Members may view or download the new regulations (CCR Sections 1016 and 1017) on the Dental Board of California's website at <http://www.dbc.ca.gov> under statutes and regulations.

CSPD Joins Children's Advocates Roundtable

By action of the Board of Directors, CSPD this year became a participating member of the Children's Advocates Roundtable, an affiliation of over 300 statewide and regional children's policy organizations involved in public policy and child advocacy. Founded in 1990 by the Children's Advocacy Institute (CAI), the Roundtable provides a setting for the exchange of information, knowledge, and resources on child advocacy matters such as abuse prevention, childcare, education, child health, poverty, housing, and juvenile justice.

Through email communication as well as a monthly meeting in Sacramento, the affiliation provides an opportunity for participating organizations to educate one another on a variety of issues and legislation that affect children and youth, facilitating, in the words of the CAI, "prioritization of issues and minimization of infighting over limited state resources

historically budgeted for children's programs." In March, CSPD Public Policy Advocate, Paul Reggiardo, attended the Sacramento meeting to promote support for Assembly Bill 1077, which would establish school entrance oral health assessments. (Editor's Note: The bill is currently held in the Assembly Appropriations Committee until the State Legislature reconvenes in January).

The sponsoring body, the Children's Advocacy Institute, was founded in 1989 as part of the Center for Public Interest Law at the University of San Diego School of Law. The mission of the CAI is "to improve the status and well-being of children in our society by representing their interests and rights to a safe, healthy childhood".

Further information about the Children's Advocate's Roundtable is available on the web at <http://www.caichildlaw.org/RT.htm>.

American Academy of Pediatrics Revises SIDS Prevention Advice Recommends Pacifier at Nap and Bedtime for First Year of Life

By: Paul Reggiardo, DDS

Despite a significant decrease in the incidence of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), and a better understanding of the factors contributing to its cause, SIDS is still responsible for more infant deaths beyond the newborn period in the United States than any other cause of death during infancy. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), nearly 2,500 toddlers under the age of one year die of SIDS each year. To further reduce the incidence of SIDS, an AAP Task Force on Sudden Infant Death Syndrome in October issued new recommendations on infant sleep.

In these recommendations, the AAP no longer recognizes side sleeping as a reasonable alternative to fully supine (laying on the back) sleeping, citing studies that found the side sleep position is unstable and increases the chances of the infant rolling onto his or her stomach. Bed sharing with caregivers is also no longer condoned. While infants may be brought into bed for nursing or comforting, the AAP recommends they be returned to their own crib or bassinet when the parent is ready to return to sleep.

In a related statement, the AAP Task Force recognized a growing body of evidence that "room sharing" (infant sleeping in a crib in the parent's bedroom) is associated with a reduced SIDS risk and recommended a separate but proximate sleeping environment.

Of particular interest to pediatric dentists and other oral health care providers should be the recommendation that caregivers should "consider offering a pacifier at nap time and bedtime" during the first year of life. The AAP Task Force cited studies reporting a

protective effect of pacifiers on the incidence of SIDS, especially when used at the time of last sleep. The recommendation carries with it the admonition that pacifier introduction for breastfed infants should be delayed until one month of age to ensure that breastfeeding is firmly established and that if the infant refuses the pacifier it should not be forced. The recommendations also advise that the pacifier should be offered when placing the infant down for sleep, and should not be re-inserted once the infant falls asleep.

These recommendations are consistent with the current Oral Health Policy on Oral Habits of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD), which advises that non-nutritive sucking behaviors (e.g. finger or pacifier sucking) are considered normal in infants and young children and that concern for persistent habits beyond three years of age be discussed with the child's oral health care provider or other professional.

Members interested in the AAP Task Force Report may access a summary report in the AAP Newsletter at <http://www.aap.org/moc/sidsaapnews.pdf>. The full report is available at <http://www.aap.org/ncepr/revisedids.pdf>. AAPD's Oral Health Policy Statement on Oral Habits is published in the current AAPD Reference Manual and is available online at http://www.aapd.org/media/Policies_Guidelines/P_OralHabits.pdf.

Questions concerning the AAP SIDS recommendations or AAPD Oral Health Policy may be directed to Paul Reggiardo, CSPD's Public Policy Advocate, at 714 848-0234 or reggiardo@prodigy.net.



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***AAPD Foundation Disaster Grants:** The purpose of the grants is to make emergency dental care available in areas affected by disasters and to provide assistance to AAPD members who are victims of disasters. Details of granting process can be obtained through the AAPDF.

***AAPD President Pitts Hinson** has asked for assistance in the following: Many members of AAPD are now unemployed. If your practice, university or hospital training program has any positions available, please contact the administrative assistant, in the office of the Executive Director, Jan Haase at jhaase@aapd.org. If you have a second home that could be made available to our members and their families who are homeless, it would be greatly appreciated. (Jan Haase is the contact.)

***Dues Relief for AAPD Members:** If any member who has been directly affected by the hurricane wishes to seek dues relief for this fiscal year, please contact Membership and Marketing Manager Suzanne Wester at swester@aapd.org.

American Dental Association efforts

ADA Foundation help-a-Dentist-in-Need Program: ADA announced a series of relief initiatives, including a program to help dentists who have lost their homes find shelter and assistance from fellow dentists. If you are interested in volunteering for this program, contact ADA staff person Lisa Barron at barron1@ada.org.

Disaster Preparedness and Recovery Manual: Obtainable through ADA.org, the manual is based on the experiences of dentists who lost or suffered damage to their offices and homes in past disasters. It covers how to prepare your office; what to do if a storm strikes; local, state and national resources that are available; and FDA, ADA and FDHF application forms for assistance in your recovery. Are we prepared for earthquakes in California?

ALASKAN VISIT

As District VI Trustee, I visited Anchorage, Alaska and met with the members of the Alaskan Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. President Christine Roalofs spent a good deal of time explaining the crisis related to access to care that exists in Alaska. The internal and external forces that are affecting the practice of pediatric dentistry, on both a quality of care level as well as on a distribution of services level, are astounding. Dr. Roalofs stated that there are four levels of dental therapists coming in from the New Zealand Dental Therapist program. She feels the first three levels are invaluable. These therapists can perform dental hygiene instructions, nutritional counseling, the taking of dental radiographs and the place-

ment of preventive sealants. The fourth level, within which dental restorative and surgical procedures fall, is a concern. Supervision over this, or some form of control and licensing is what needs to be put into place. We will be working closely with the Alaskan Academy of Pediatric Dentistry in order to support their efforts in maintaining the highest quality of oral health care possible for the children entrusted to their care.

ADDITIONAL AAPD NEWS UPDATE

More AAPD Activities:

President Pitts Hinson has been extremely busy in his tenure at the top. He presided during the new board orientation and media training session that took place in early June. Dr. Hinson addressed the Academy of General Dentistry in July in Washington and discussed common goals, interests and issues. Our alliance and collaborative efforts with this group of dedicated oral health care providers is invaluable. July also found our AAPD Executive Committee meeting with American Academy of Pediatrics Executive Committee to discuss further development of our treasured relationship. Just as oral health care has been concretely linked with general health care, our two organizations have found multiple links in our academic, research and clinical arenas that bind us and guide us to common goals, expectations and accomplishments.

New web link: At the website, "Science in the News", provides many topics of interest for pediatric dentists. <http://www.ada.org/prof/resources/topics/science.asp>

Membership Dues: Deadline was Oct. 1, 2005

If your membership dues were not received by Oct 1 your name may not be printed in the Membership Directory, as well as membership benefits being suspended. Any questions regarding your dues payment may be forwarded to Meaghan Daly at mdaly@aapd.org.

Be a presenter at the 59th Annual Session:

Become a presenter at the 2006 Annual Session in Cincinnati. The AAPD Staff is now accepting applications for Breakfast Rounds, String of Pearls and Miniclinics. Visit <http://www.aapd.org/annual/> or contact Kristin Olson at kolson@aapd.org.

WSPD BOARD MEETING

The Western Society of Pediatric Dentistry Board of Directors met in Los Angeles on September 23, 2005. States represented were: Alaska-Arizona-California-Hawaii-Nevada-Oregon-Washington. The WSPD has matured extremely well. The board meeting was lengthy in its deliberations over issues, with excellent opportunities for state representatives to voice their concerns. I am very encouraged with the

Evidence-Based Restorative Dentistry Retreat

By: Rick Udin, DDS

On July 15-16, 2005, the Advanced Pediatric Dentistry Program at the USC School of Dentistry held an Evidence-Based Restorative Dentistry Retreat at the Davidson Conference Center, on campus. The Retreat was an opportunity to bring together our full and part-time faculty, students and alumni members. It served as a forum to examine the restorative techniques that we teach at our School of Dentistry Pediatric Clinic, affiliate hospitals and community clinics. The California Society of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation and the Pediatric Dentistry Association of the University of Southern California generously provided funding for this endeavor.

The retreat focused on the restorative techniques for treatment of both primary and permanent anterior and posterior teeth. The techniques taught at USC involving tooth preparation design, sedative medications, bonding materials as well as the actual restorative materials chosen were all discussed. Analysis of the current literature served as the basis to help us determine the most successful of the techniques and hopefully allow us to come to a consensus regarding what we should be teaching at all of our venues (as well as using in our private offices).

This was an ambitious undertaking, which required a lot of preliminary work as well as much discussion and deliberation during the actual Retreat. Prior to the retreat,

our residents conducted a literature search. The final determination of which articles to include was made by the faculty, facilitated by Dr. David Good. The selected articles were then copied and distributed according to topic. Participants were divided into groups consisting of faculty, students and alumni. Group Leaders volunteered to direct the efforts of the groups in reading and analyzing the literature and using it to reach a group consensus for each restorative area.

During the actual retreat, groups were given an opportunity to meet and finalize their reports. Groups then reported to all attendees and discussion followed. Dr. Good, who served as facilitator and directed the discussion, oversaw the retreat. We are most gratified by the interest that the retreat generated and level of participation by the attendees. We had some lively and spirited debate and were able to come to agreement in most cases.

The final outcome/consensus will be formatted in an outline form according to each area discussed and it is hoped that the material will soon be available to participants. We are currently surveying the attendees to determine whether the format and content of the retreat was considered to be appropriate and whether we should consider future retreats to look at other aspects of pediatric dentistry.



Rick Udin, DDS

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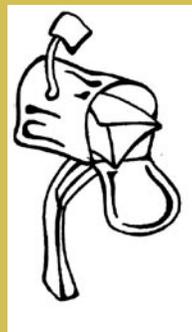
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done by a specialist (orthodontics is a great example), you are held to that specialist's standard of care. This means that if you have a tough case, sometimes **referral to a specialist** is a good way to stay out of trouble.

In summary, the Peer Review System can get you out of a jam at no cost and a minimum amount of aggravation for you and your patient. Keeping open communication with patients can prevent many peer review cases. Proper documentation can prevent some cases from needing peer review, and can assist others in being resolved in your favor.

The Peer Review System is one of your best benefits of your membership in CDA. Don't wait until problems get too ugly before resorting to it. Everyone benefits if we use the Peer Review System.

WHAT'S YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS?



The president, Dr. Cortez, and the entire CSPD Board greatly encourage you to provide your email addresses to the CSPD headquarters. Recently, it was decided that urgent communication to our members was necessary and an email blast to the members was done. You may have been missed. From time to time, there is urgent business or information we wish to provide to the members and we would appreciate feedback as well. We do not intend to use this method of communication for minor issues,

nor give out the addresses to others. Please provide your email addresses and notify our executive director of any changes.

Send to: MelRowan@aol.com , Thank you.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At about the time that you are reading this Bulletin, you will be receiving a request for support of our Foundation through its Annual Giving Campaign. Your contribu-

tions are directly related to our ability to promote and support academically oriented projects at all of our dental schools. In addition, by demonstrating a broad-based and generous, support from CSPD, we are able to go beyond our membership to seek outside funding for more substantial and very appropriate projects.

All of us understand the importance of our specialty and its place both in caring for children and training dental students. However this is often minimized, or even ignored, by government agencies and universities who do not see us as a specialty solving access issues for children, nor bringing in the extra funds needed by our dental schools. We need to be a strong force behind our university and hospital pediatric dental departments, through direct involvement in a faculty position and/or financial support for our educational projects

I have been asked to clarify the roles of our Foundation and its relationship to CSPD, our professional society. The CSPD Foundation is a non-profit organization structured to accept tax-deductible contributions from donors. These funds are to be used for charitable purposes to support programs in pursuit of an organization's mission.

The Mission of our Foundation is to support and promote education, research, service and policy development that advances the oral health of infants, children, adolescents and those with special health care needs.

Currently the primary focus of the Foundation is the continuing crisis in pediatric dental education in California. Our goal is to support projects to encourage greater participation of our members in academic roles in our dental schools and hospital programs. To this end we are (and have been) developing an endowment fund to provide the financial means to support these projects.

The Foundation's Board of Trustees is selected by the Board of CSPD and includes the CSPD President and President elect, as well as an ex officio position for an Executive

Director. A number of past CSPD presidents have served on this Board, however Board and Committee positions are open to anyone. We currently have one non-dentist on our Board of Trustees. The Foundation acts independently of CSPD, however because of our parallel missions, many of our goals and projects are mutually supportive.

Our goals for this year include:

1. Presenting a continuing education program to further stimulate academic involvement through the use of communication skills appropriate both in teaching and within our practices.
2. Proposing and funding enhanced categories of projects that will lead to closer mentoring experiences and greater educational preparation for those considering or participating in academic positions.
3. Increasing the detail of information conveyed to CSPD members about our activities by providing more complete listing of our projects, their participants and funding. This information is presented on the Foundation pages of the CSPD Bulletin and CSPD website.
4. Increasing the percentage of CSPD members who contribute to our foundation, so as to support our application for financing outside of our membership base.
5. Improving the structure and functioning of our Board of Trustees and Committees so as to work more efficiently and thoroughly thereby preparing ourselves for the more complex projects which we are currently considering.
6. Preparing for a Strategic Planning Meeting in mid 2006 to review our accomplishments and plan our direction and activities for the next few years.

The Foundation continues to collaborate with other groups and institutions in support of worthwhile projects. In July, we provided partial funding for the USC pediatric dentistry restorative retreat, in which all levels of faculty and postdoctoral students participated in an evidence and experienced-based evaluation of restorative techniques. This two-day program was the initial step in developing standardized procedures to be taught by the faculty at the school and at all affiliated community and hospital clinics. This clarity and consistency should definitely enhance the pediatric dental education of the students of USC. Please see the detailed report by Rick Udin in this Bulletin.

Finally, thank you all for your past and future contributions. We are committed to the enhancement of pediatric dental academic experiences in California.

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FOUNDATION BOARD APPROVES NEW FACULTY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAMS



The CSPD Foundation recently approved guidelines for a new program of Faculty Development Grant Opportunities, Fellowships and Awards as proposed and developed by its Allocation Committee chaired by Gila Dorostkar. Steve Blain conducted a needs assessment from discussions with the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, the American Dental Association and the American Dental Education Association. In addition, interviews were conducted with the program chairs and heads of pediatric dental departments throughout the state of California. Several themes emerged from the interviews that are consistent with a national trend:

- The large indebtedness either after dental school or after the training program contributes to graduates wanting to go into private practice to repay the loans.

- The greatest need at this time is pediatric dental educators versus practitioners, but the latter need being important as well.

- Private practice is very lucrative, especially compared to an academic career.

- Dental schools do not or cannot pay competitive salaries.

- There are few formal programs to encourage and cultivate pediatric dental educators even if candidates are identified.

- All the schools are depending on part time, with or without salary faculty to teach didactic and clinical pediatric dentistry. In some cases, generalists are teaching the students.

Each pediatric dental department had their particular problems with fulfilling the manpower needs. The lack of sufficient funding was the major reason and secondly, the lack of personnel to fill a funded position. Four major

recommendations emerged from the conversations that are representative of all five schools in varying degrees.

1. The need for loan forgiveness
2. Monies to augment pediatric dental faculty salaries to enhance recruitment
3. Increasing the number and quality of part time with and without salary instructors
4. Develop fellowships to cultivate pediatric dental educators

The Board determined that the primary focus should be on recommendations #3 and #4 at this time, fostering faculty recruitment and retention at each of the California dental schools and thus approved goals, objectives and outcome assessments to realize this mission.

Funding levels are to be determined by the number and quality of proposals submitted and by the funds available for awards in any given year as determined by the Board of Trustees. Recipients of these grants, fellowships and awards will be required to complete reports, present their research or complete projects as part of the grant process. Dates and details for submission of applications will be announced at a later date.

Pediatric Faculty Development Grant for Part-time Pediatric Dental Educators

This program is designed to recruit into and retain in the educational system, midcareer or late career clinicians. It will be organized and led by the pediatric dental chairperson at any of the five California dental schools. Although the format is not restricted, continuing education eligibility must be included and interschool participation is highly encouraged.

GRANT: Maximum of \$10,000 to a school in any one year. May be a one-time grant.

Investigator-Initiated Research Grant

This is a two-year investigator-initiated research project conducted by a pediatric dental postdoctoral student/resident overseen by a senior investigator. CSPD membership is required and this grant is not intended to fund the research requirement of the pediatric dental residency. It may be used to augment an existing grant.

GRANT: \$20,000 (\$10,000/year for each of two years)

Pediatric Dental Educator Fellowship Program Development Grant

This grant will provide seed money to a pediatric dental educator at any of the five California dental schools in order to develop a proposal for submission to create a funded 1-3 year fellowship. The fellowship should be designed to encourage and foster the development of a full time academician/researcher in pediatric dentistry. Candidates must have completed an accredited pediatric dental program. Pursuit of an MS or PhD degree and a line of research concomitant with the fellowship are highly recommended.

GRANT: \$15,000

California Pediatric Dental Mentorship Program Grant

This is a one-year program to target pre-doctoral and pediatric dental residents interested in pediatric dental education. The program will be organized and led by pediatric dental residents/pediatric dental faculty.

GRANT: \$1,000/year, paid in \$500 installments and renewable annually

CSPD Policy and Management Internship Grant

This one-year internship program is designed to expose individuals to governance and advocacy activities and prepare young members to assume leadership roles within the CSPD governance structure. Pediatric post-doctoral students/residents and CSPD members may apply. A small stipend and cost for travel to the CSPD Board meetings will be provided. Proposals must include a resume or curriculum vitae, 200-300 word essay outlining their interest in the program and how they may be able to contribute to the organization.

GRANT: To Be Determined

Student/Postdoctoral Research Award

This award provides travel expense reimbursement to a student/postdoctoral for the presentation of their research at a relevant, recognized meeting venue, i.e. the IADR, ADR or AAPD annual sessions.

GRANT: \$1,000 for 2 awards

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This award provides travel expense reimbursement to a California Pediatric Dental faculty member for the presentation of their research at a relevant, recognized meeting venue,

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GRANT: \$1,000 for 2 awards

In summary, the Pediatric Faculty Development grant for Part-time Dental Educators is meant to address the immediate needs for faculty recruitment and retention. The Investigator-initiated Research grant is offered to meet the interim needs. The Program Development grant for the Fellowship is an effort to meet a longer-range goal. The Mentorship and Internship grants are offered to sensitize pre and post doctorates to the issues and lastly, the research awards are

designed to give ongoing support to pediatric dental post-doctorates and faculty in the development of their careers.

Summary of Foundation Grants - Approved/Awarded Funding during 2003- 2005

2003 Projects

Dr. Pamela DenBesten (UCSF) \$3,500

Project: Funding for two pediatric dental residents to attend the European Organization for Caries Research Meeting in Germany in July 2003

Dr. Jeff Wood (UOP) \$4,900

Project: Funding for UOP dental students to attend specialty meetings to present research

Dr. Clarice Law (UCLA) \$2,625

Project: Funding for a Strengths-Finder assessment research project to identify strengths and talents of people who might be candidates for academics

Dr. Nancy Kwon (UCSF) \$5,000

Faculty: Dr. Ken Troutman

Project: UOP/UCSF presentations and faculty dinners

Dr. Jose Polido (USC-Childrens LA) \$2,000

Project: Funding for faculty to attend NIH Seminar at Stanford University in April 2003

2004 Projects

Dr. Rick Udin (USC) \$5,000

Project: USC Faculty Retreat to review and evaluate restorative techniques taught at the University

Dr. Pam DenBesten (UCSF) \$2,300

Project: Funding for a 3rd-year pediatric dental resident and 2nd year dental student to present their research at the IADR Meeting in Oahu, Hawaii in March 2004

Dr. Ann Tornabene (UCSF) \$5,000

Faculty: Dr. Ken Troutman

Project: Mentorship program for pediatric dental residents and faculty at UCSF

2005 Projects-To-Date

Dr. Ann Tornabene

Faculty: Dr. Jeff Wood (UOP) \$1,700

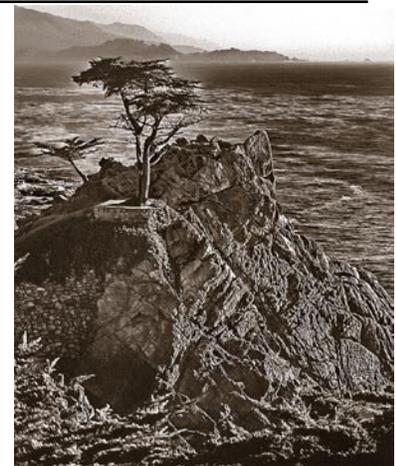
Project: Internship program designed to expose individuals to governance and advocacy activities and prepare young members with an interest in academics to assume leadership roles within the CSPD governance structure.



Membership Directory Now on the CSPD Website

Through the Member's Only section of the CSPD website, which requires a login and password, you can download the 2005-2006 Membership Directory right onto your computer(s)! You can save it to your computers at work and/or your computer at home. You won't have to carry the spiral bound copy to and from your office anymore, or search for it in your office or home. Now, you can have it accessible everywhere. The soft copy also allows you direct access to each member's website and email address via hyperlinks within the directory. And finally, because the website membership directory will be updated periodically, you will have a current directory year round.

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WELCOME GRADUATE STUDENTS

Congratulations to all the incoming postdoctoral students to the California dental schools. The following information was provided for publication by the department chairperson or program director. CSPD is aware that this does not include all of California's incoming graduate students and we hope to be able to publish the names of the remaining students in future issues of the Bulletin. If you are a department chairperson or program director, please contact José Polido (jpolido@chla.usc.edu)



CAROLYN COPPE, D.D.S.

Carolyn graduated from NYU with a BA degree in chemistry. She received her dental training at Harvard School of Dental Medicine. During dental school, Carolyn took part in a number of research opportunities, including studying ultrasound as a non-invasive technique for the assessment of the distraction osteogenesis wound in patients in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Harvard, and working in the Craniofacial and Skeletal Disease Branch of the National Institute of Health on dental stem cell research. Her interest in the pediatric specialties goes back to her undergraduate days when she volunteered in the pediatric department at St. Vincent's Hospital in New York City. During her dental studies, Carolyn also participated in a wide range of community service activities including providing dental care to homeless teens, working as an examiner for Cambridge Health Study doing dental health screening for caries, and volunteering as a mentor for an after-school program.

JI YOUNG KIM, D.D.S.

Ji Young is a recent DDS Graduate from Columbia University School of Dental and Oral Surgery. She is a graduate of the University of California, Irvine where she finished Magna Cum Laude with a bachelor of science in biological sciences. She has an article in press "Continued Tooth Development of a Maxillary Primary Incisor After Traumatic Coronal Destruction: A Case Report." In addition to her research interests, she has participated in a number of community projects involving children, from working in dental outreach clinics to tutoring elementary school children. She also enjoys teaching and has worked as a teaching assistant at Columbia as well as a chemistry tutor at UCI. During her dental studies, Ji Young also participated in a number of externships in oral and maxiofacial surgery in the hospital setting, and pediatric dentistry in medical centers and private practice.



MY LINH NGO, D.D.S.

My Linh Ngo is a native of Vietnam and was raised in San Diego, CA. She completed her degree in Molecular Biology at UCLA and spent the early part of her career in pharmaceutical research. My Linh recently received her DMD degree from the University of Pittsburgh where she had been involved in a number of research and community-service related projects. She was involved in dental mission trips to Jamaica and enjoys volunteering in outreach programs. At graduation, My Linh won both the Outstanding Clinician Award and the Community Service Award. She loves puppies, baking sweets, reading, and watching reality TV shows. She is in her first year of training.

GINELLE SAKIMA, D.D.S.

Ginelle Sakima was raised in Elk Grove, California and completed her BS degree in Biology at Graceland University in Lamoni, Iowa in 2001. Prior to her collegiate studies, Ginelle traveled the United States and Canada as a professional figure skater. In June of 2005, she earned her DDS degree from UCSF School of Dentistry where she coordinated community health events with organizations like UCSF Children's Health Hut and the Give Kids A Smile Day event at San Francisco General Hospital. Upon graduation, Ginelle was awarded the UCSF Preventive Dentistry & Community Health Award and the American Academy of Implant Dentistry Award of Excellence. Ginelle has served on the Health Ministries Association health mission team to San Pedro Sula, Honduras as a Spanish translator and currently provides weekly tutoring for elementary school children that coincides with English classes for their parents. In her spare time, Ginelle enjoys traveling and is an advanced open water SCUBA diver. She is in her first year of pediatric residency training at UCSF.



LING ZHAN, D.D.S.

Ling Zhan is a native of China. She graduated with honors from West China University of Medical Sciences, earning her DDS degree in 1992. She was preferentially selected by WCUMS in 1992 for the Master degree program and again in 1994 for the PhD degree program in dental sciences. She graduated in 1997 with her PhD degree and became a faculty member in the College of Stomatology, WCUMS, where she won several awards including the Crest Young Investigator Award and the West China University's Annual Outstanding Faculty Award. She was awarded the Lee Hysan Scholarship in 2000, came to UCSF as a visiting scholar and became a postdoctoral researcher in 2003. Her research has focused on determining the pathogenic bacterial characteristics that are most important in the etiology of dental caries and evaluating antibacterial therapies to reduce or eliminate dental caries in high-risk children and adults. Ling and her husband, Charles, welcomed their daughter Maggie in 2002. She is in her first year of training.

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the LSU dentists were very appreciative of the loan.

Aside from a delayed flight, the absence of power at the airport, and a VERY bumpy ride from New Orleans to Atlanta, the men were able to make it safely back home. Though the journey was both physically and emotionally exhausting, if asked to reflect on the odyssey, all three of them simply recall the ecstatic smiles and appreciation of their LSU colleagues, and they'll admit it was well worth it.

This trip was financially supported by the American Dental Association. Dr. John Blake is the Director of the Long Beach Children's Dental Health Clinic. Dr. Lynn Fasnacht is the President of the CDHC Foundation. Mr. Miguel Peraza is an RDA and treatment coordinator at the CDHC.

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development of this organization. As time goes on, its influence and positive energy will be a complimentary enhancement to CSPD's goals and aspirations. President Larry Loveridge did a fine job of leading the discussions. His leadership skills are well honed with a sincerity that is refreshing.

The annual CSPD/WSPD Meeting that will be taking place in Palm Springs will find the WSPD sponsoring Dr. Barbara Sheller who will be offering a comprehensive presentation for dentists and staff. Once again, the PALS course will be provided by the WSPD. Various revisions will be made to make it even more specific to pediatric dental practices. Class size will be limited, so please sign up soon. State organizational development has continued on a good path. Alaska has formally organized this year and Utah, Idaho and Montana have members who have stepped forward and who have clearly expressed interest in participating in WSPD activities

and AAPD councils and committees. These are states with very few members and formal organization will be modified to whatever level or form it can take.

Dr. Joel Berg received a vote of support from the WSPD Board for his nomination for District VI Trustee (2006-2009). Names were solicited for possible candidates for council and committee positions from many different states.

Each state representative shared his or her state's concerns regarding our specialty. States have issues and concerns of a need for general anesthesia legislation, licensure by credentials, general dentists with misleading advertising, and of course the extreme access to care issues in Alaska as described above. These are issues I intend to share with the AAPD Board of Trustees.

The WSPD is in good financial state. The next meeting of the WSPD will be at the AAPD Meeting in Cincinnati.

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volunteer leadership of CDA and CSPD. There is no conflict of interest or competition and I have certainly seen first hand that their volunteer work has enhanced our specialty in California. CSPD members, Larry Darrow, Steve Chan, Paul Reggiardo, LaJuan Hall, Oariona Lowe, Lindsey Robinson, Rick Nichols, Ray Stewart and many others are to be commended for their active involvement with our organization as well as CDA.

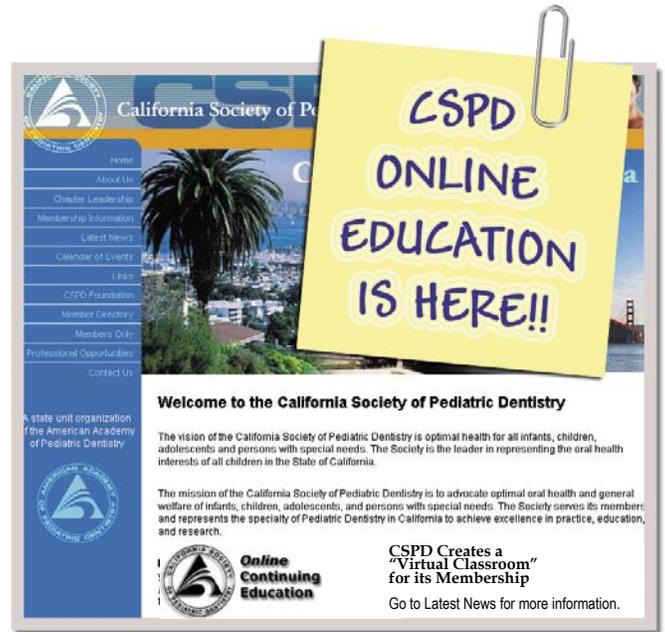
In my many years of membership in both organizations, I have not seen as close a working relationship as we have today with CDA. This has been a mutually beneficial relationship and one that has and will benefit the children of California.

Calling all CSPD Members!!

The website now has links to CSPD's new "Virtual Classroom" where our members can access Online Education for themselves and their staff members anywhere in the world where they have high-speed internet access.

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1. Go to www.cspd.org and access the Member's Only section. The user name is "cspd" and the password is "pedo." Be sure that all letters of these entries are in the lower case.
2. When in the Members Only section, click on the link to our Online Continuing Education host site that will take you to Vodium.
3. You may need to register your name and email address to continue to a Library of Lectures available.
4. The Vodium server will automatically test your computer for software compatibility. Unfortunately access by Mac computers is not supported. Having your PC's operating system/browser/multimedia programs up-to-date and the latest version of Microsoft's or Sun Microsystems' Java Virtual Machine installed is important. Links to any missing software will be provided so that the viewer can download the appropriate program and make changes to the browser options.
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Ages 0-3 - 64 minutes
Ages 3-6 - 115 minutes
- **Intervention and Restorative**
by Kevin Donly, DDS
Ages 0-3 - 54 minutes
Ages 3-6 - 61 minutes
- **Prevention**
by Steve Adair, DDS
Ages 0-3 - 109 minutes
Ages 3-6 - 54 minutes
- **Children with Special Needs**
by Paul Casamassimo, DDS, MSD
Ages 0-5 - 169 minutes

The CSPD Online Education Committee is planning to offer additional lectures with continuing education opportunities in the future.

WEBSITE REPORT

Online Continuing Education Update

The lectures created by the Pediatric Oral Health Access Project (POHAP) and CSPD to train general dentists to provide dental health care to children are now available to any interested dentists from a link on our Home Page. Members need not go through our Members Only section to access this site. We hope dentists and other health professionals from all over the world who are seeking training in the dental treatment of children and special-needs patients will discover and benefit from these excellent lectures. So far over 2000 visitors have viewed the lectures with some international requests originating from South America and Eastern European countries.

More Lectures Coming

The lectures from the CSPD Annual Meeting in Monterey will soon be available for viewing again using Vodium's unique "virtual classroom" presentation software. Visitors will see and hear a video of the speaker while viewing a separate panel containing the PowerPoint slides and a third panel showing a transcript of the lecture. You can pause, repeat or fast forward at any time. To help recover the costs of developing these programs and providing their CE units, CSPD plans to charge a fee for attending these classroom programs. Sorry, this software does not support Mac systems.

Responding to the Hurricane Disaster

Hurricane Katrina and her aftermath affected thousands of people in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama including fellow AAPD members and pediatric dentistry residents. To make a special donation to the Disaster Relief Effort, members can find a link to the AAPD Foundation on our Home Page. A

significant need exists for emergency and follow-up dental care for the hurricane displaced children now located in western states. Please let CSPD know if you are providing dental treatment or want to provide some needed care to these unfortunate children. Our website Home Page has a link, Contact Us with this information. This link will forward this information to dentists coordinating the California relief effort and will be used to help highlight our members' contributions to this special need.

Professional Opportunities Program Expanding

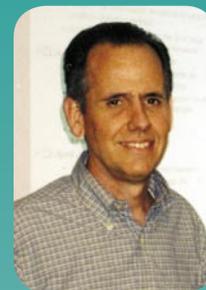
At times containing over 35 listings, the Professional Opportunities program appears to be a success with our members, resident training all over the country, and even non-members. Some users offer opportunities while other users seek opportunities. This is a great benefit to our membership. CSPD is currently considering the requests to expand this program to include Classified Listings so that members can share other opportunities ranging from renting their "vacation condos" to buying an "extra dental unit."

Don't Leave Home Without It!

Now you can download from the Members Only section a copy of the CSPD Membership Roster for viewing on your computer or laptop with most Internet browsers. Use a search tool to find a specific member's information quickly.

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Steve Niethamer, DDS
Web Editor

CSPD Professional Opportunities

Have you been thinking about hiring an associate, but just aren't sure where to look? Or are you finishing your residency soon, and aren't sure where you'd like to live and practice? The answer is right on the CSPD website. To look at these opportunities and others, go to <http://www.cspd.org>. On the left side of the home page, click on the Professional Opportunities link from the navigation bar. You will find yourself on our growing Opportunities Page. Once there, just click on one of the tabs below to see a corresponding list of opportunities.

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Benjamin Cho

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Terri Homer, MD

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For further information call CSPD Executive Director Mel Rowan at 310/465-1580.

CSPD SEEKS VOLUNTEER SPEAKERS

— CSPD is putting together a bank of practitioners who are interested in speaking to students at the universities, student groups, or to study groups on subject matter not normally emphasized during their dental training. These practitioners might speak to pre- and postdoctoral students on different career options including pediatric dentistry, dental research, dental education, hospital dentistry, public health, community service and outreach programs. They might help the faculty present topics that they may not have time to include in their lecture sessions. This might include additional topics which interest you such as behavior management, clinical skills, or specific procedures; or practice management and staff issues. If you have an interest in participating in this worthwhile program please contact Oariona Lowe and let her know which subjects interest you. (Dr. Oariona Lowe / w.roslo@verizon.net, (562) 907-4522)

CALL FOR TABLE CLINICS!!!

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Deadline for submission of Table

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contact: Dr. Oariona Lowe,

Chair, Professional Activities

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STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDS ARE AVAILABLE

— Post-doctoral and pre-doctoral students interested or currently involved in research may apply to the CSPD for a research grant. Please contact your program chairperson or director for more information about this great opportunity. This is a grant funded by the CSPD Foundation, but administrated by CSPD. You may also contact Dr. Oariona Lowe / w.roslo@verizon.net / (562) 907-4522.

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ACADEMY OF LASER DENTISTRY

The Academy of Laser Dentistry will be holding its annual meeting in Tucson Arizona, March 15-18, 2006. The programs dedicated to pediatric dentistry were highly attended at the recent 2005 conference. For more information, please contact Estrella Azus, Education Coordinator - estrella@laserdentistry.org Phone: 954 346 3776 ext 203

UPCOMING MEETING AND CONTINUING EDUCATION DATES

CSPD

April 6-9 2006: CSPD 30th Annual Session Renaissance Esmeralda Resort, / Indian Wells, CA

Mar 29- Apr 1, 2007: CSPD 31st Annual Session Seattle, WA

April 10-13, 2008 - Annual Meeting at the Rancho Bernardo Inn

AAPD

Nov 11-12, 2005: AAPD / Symposium on Prevention Chicago, Ill

Feb 10-12, 2006: AAPD / Lifestyles & Well-being Retreat / Camelback Inn & Spa, Scottsdale, AZ

March 3-4, 2006: Practice Management and Technology in the Pediatric Dental Office: Members Helping Members San Diego, Ca.

March 24-26, 2006: Comprehensive Review of Pediatric Dentistry Tampa, Fl.

May 25-29, 2006: AAPD 59th Annual Session Cinergy Center, Cincinnati, OH

May 24-28, 2007: AAPD, Gon-

zalez Convention Center, San Antonio, TX

May 22-26, 2008: AAPD, Marriott Wardman Park, Washington D.C.

May 21-25, 2009: AAPD, Hawaii Convention Center, Honolulu, Hawaii

May 27-31, 2010: AAPD, The Hilton, Chicago, Ill.

See the CSPD and AAPD website for more sponsored courses.

www.aapd.org/events (Register online) or contact Meetings Coordinator Kristin Olson kolson@aapd.org

NOTICE

Members may view or download the new continuing education regulations (CCR Sections 1016 and 1017) on the Dental Board of California's website at www.dbc.ca.gov under statutes and regulations.



Congratulations! Lindsey Robinson and Oariona Lowe were recently inducted as fellows into the USA chapter of the International College of Dentists.

In addition, we would like to recognize Santos Cortez, Estela Sanchez, Ana Planells and John Guijon. They were honored as participants in the "Give Kids a Smile" program in Mammoth Lakes. The photo appeared on the front page of Heartbeats, a publication of Mammoth Lakes Hospital.





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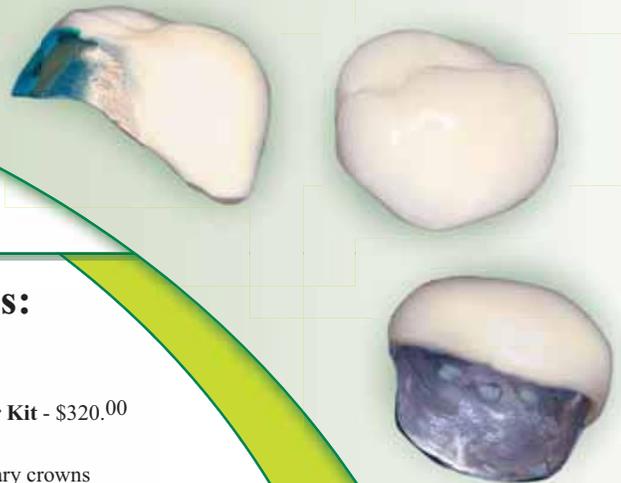
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